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Gustave Flaubert

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College will lose \$2 million in funds for 1988-'89, Jensen says

Drop in class sizes, salary increases and build up of overtime cited as reasons for cuts

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A \$2 million reduction is projected for RSC's 1988-89 budget, according to Robert Jensen, RSC's chancellor.

Jensen listed four key factors contributing to the cause of the budget cuts: a drop in class size of about two students per class, a decline in the number of out-of-state and foreign students who pay non-residential tuition, an increase in salaries for part-timers and a build up of overtime.

"It was necessary to increase non-credit expenditures in order to offset the decline in credit enrollment," said Jensen, "These factors caused us to spend down our reserve since our expenditures exceeded our income this year."

Dean Strenger, dean of science and technology, said that he is "planning a class schedule in a more restricted framework since less money will be available."

Strenger said that many requests for the

modification of facilities will be put on hold, which might slow down program development.

Strenger also plans to incorporate and reduce the number of class sections in his division, which will in turn increase the number of students in the classroom and allow students the same availability of classes.

Robert Matthew, buisness operations and fiscal services, reported that the reserve will be less than \$1 million at the end of this fiscal year, when compared to the 1985 reserves which were \$2.7 million.

"The long-range problem is that in recent years we've reduced our reserves by spending more on salaries, capital projects and other areas than we had in income," said Matthews.

A tentative budget plan will be presented to the board of trustees in June, which will attempt to balance the budget and establish a practical reserve, according to Jensen.



COOKIES AND LEMONADE- Judy Chitlik (center) poses with two of the student representatives from Wilson Elementary at a recent adopt-a school ceremony. Please see story Page 2. Photo by Vince Lara

Police gag order outlined in district manual

by Kelly McGinnis el don

Several RSC police officers had no comment recently when asked their personal opinion on whether or not they should be able to carry firearms while on duty.

Of those questioned, three claimed a "gag order" imposed on them by the department prevented them from commenting.

According to Dr. Robert Jensen, RSC chancellor, he was not aware of any such order.

According to an officer, the order is contained in the RSC District Police Manual, which the police are instructed not to disclose to the public.

"The gag order has always been there, that comes straight down from the administration," said Frank Oviedo, former RSC police officer,"we had no rights." Oviedo said.

According to Bob Partridge, administrative dean of district police, the order ap-

This article is the second installment of a three part series concerning the requests by campus police to carry firearms.

"Although we are led to believe that we have freedom of speech, we all know that if we said something that made the department look bad we will be reprimanded."

-An anonymous officer

plies only to ongoing investigations of the police department. Officers are free, to give personal opinions if they wish to do so, said Partridge.

"Although we are led to believe that we do have freedom of speech, we all know that if we say something that makes the department look bad, we will be reprimanded," said an officer who chose to remain anonymous.

According to the RSC district police policy manual, it contains confidential information that shall not be made available

except to those for whom it was intended. The manual also states that it shall be surrendered upon termination of employment.

"If it has to do with the police department, my feeling is that it should be a matter of public record," said Michael Shannon, grievance officer for RSC's classified employees. "I should be able to get a copy of the police manual just like I could go get a

copy of board policy," Shannon added.

Section 1.11.2 of the RSC District Police
Department Policy Manual
states,"Officers shall not deliver addresses
at public gatherings, nor shall they make
any statements for publication to the press
or reporters regarding the plans, policies, or
operations of this department, unless authorized to do so.

According to Partridge, a number of people authored the manual which went into effect in 1980.

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New track's quality questioned by local professional designer

by Mindy Malone el don

After nine months of construction RSC has recently completed its new track, however, according to Vern Wilkins, president of Wilkins International ltd. a local track designing company, the tracks' construction took too long and was too expensive.

In July of 1987 a general contractor by the name of Wakeham-Baker along with several sub contractors began construction on the track.

According to the approved contract, the completion date was scheduled to be September 15, 1987. The completion was pushed back though, because of several miscalculations on the part of the contractors, according to Wilkins.

One of the sub-contractors, Intra-cor, realized by mid August that they were nine barrels short of the amount of poly-ure-thane needed to complete the track, according to Robert Partridge, administrating dean of planning and development, and that they had nowhere to obtain the amount needed.

Material Shortage

"When I talked to Intra-cor about this problem they told rue that this was an unusual and that they believed the problem was in the management of ordering the different products. Intra-cor did not deny the fact of miscalculations and amounts," said Partridge.

After a five month search for the necessary products to finish the track they were located and shipped from Germany, arriving at RSC by the second week of January.

Toeing the Line

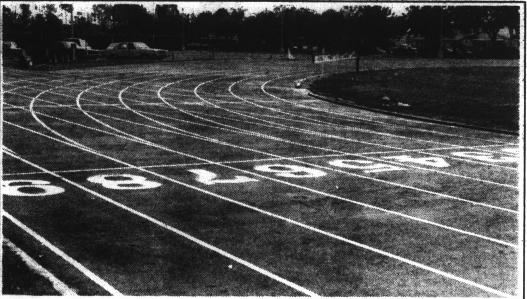
Another problem that hindered the progress was the line making process. The first man hired started the job in March

According to Partridge the man's performance was unacceptable and the contractor was dismissed. The only line maker available was Casey Jackson, however, he was already committed elsewhere and was not able to begin working with RSC until April.

"This is typical of what you warn schools about, it's like a pimp's world," said Wilkins, "in the track industry, pimping is when someone acts like a pimp by setting up a situation where a person that is willing to (cheat) a school is put in contact with an ignorant and apathetic owner that is willing to get (cheated)."

"The General Contractor, Wakeham-Baker, that RSC hired had never built a track before and had no prior experience in hiring the right people to do the job correctly, "said Wilkins, "these were the same people that did the hiring of the sub-contractors who made all the mistakes in the building of your track."

"We must take the lowest competent bidder that says they will meet our specifications, in accordance to the public facility law, we don't have a complete choice."



TRACK COMPLETED- RSC's new track, completed after nine months of work.

Photo by Aliceje Savenye

said Robert Jensen, chancellor of RSC.

The final cost of the track to RSC was \$272 thousand and \$13 thousand to draw up the plans for the track. \$11 thousand is to be subtracted from that cost for liquidated compensation on the access time it took forthe contractors to finish the track.

Hitting Home

It's been three years now that RSC has not had a home meet. The delay in the completion of the track has also had a negative emphasis on the performance of the track team according to several of the members.

"The team just isn't as close as its been in the past, we've had some bad practices, such as running on the grass or guy's not showing up since there were no home meets our moral was low, our coach was upset often and I think it had to do a lot with the delaying of the track," said Rodney Wright, track team member, "we have a great team and it was a shame that this had to happen to us."

Al Siddon, RSC's track coach, declined to comment.

Howard Brubaker, asst. coach, said, "though they we were upset at the time all the mess was going on that they we were pleased with the final results and would rather not get into it now."

"This is RSC's third track in ten years, we wanted to be accurate and precise on what we expected and we wanted it to be guaranteed, it took six months in research, three to four months of consultant work, then the time the contract was out on bid to get this track started," said Partridge.

"We're just glad its finish, we now have the 'Cadillac' of track surfaces with only one other surface being better, we've taken core samples of the track and sent them to independent test laboratories and it met all the criteria, Partridge said, "Casey Jackson is giving a certified letter for the lines, and the actual track is guaranteed for five years."

RSC board members adopt-a-school for future

Suzanne Wilson el don

Six of the youngest college students ever to attend Rancho Santiago College will be selling cookies and lemonade on Wednesday, May 4 at the Santa Ana campus quad area from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., according to board member Shirley Ralston.

Encouraging and helping kids stay in school and continue on to receive a college education is what it's all about. Ralston volunteered her services to help implement a supplemental teaching aid involving critical thinking techniques for students in grades K-6 at Wilson Elementary School in Santa Ana.

RSC faculty member Robert Putman teaches children's philosophy twice a week at Wilson, which according to Wilson's principal, Don Guenzler, is incorporated into their English Second Language class.

Putman received a grant from the RSC Foundation enabling him to teach at Wilson and purchase the specialized program. "Matthew Lipman, a professor at Upper Montclair State College in New Jersey, developed the program called The Institute for the Advancement of Philosophy for Children," said Putnam.

According to Judy Chitlik, program coordinator, a grant from the foundation has been approved to continue this supplementary teaching aid next year.

"Six kids from Wilson will be here at the board meeting on Tuesday, May 3 to sell cookies and lemonade to board members," said Ralston.

The Marriott Corp. is sponsoring the occasion and all proceeds will go towards purchasing supplies for the Wilson Adopt-A-School Program.

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Senior Day: More hindrance

by Lowell Bennink

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On Wednesday RSC held its annual Senior Day, trying to get high school students to choose the college as their destination after graduation. Though the idea is noble, the timing of the event leaves much to be desired.

On a normal day at RSC, the parking problems and general student congestion are already horrendous. Add about 1300 high school students and the situation becomes even

Normally, RSC students find the parking situation very unsatisfying. But, because of the scheduling, on Senior Day they are required to fight for spaces with high school students and numerous buses.

Because some teachers had to man the booths set up along the mall, various classes were canceled. While most students would gladly like to be given a day off, the end of the semester, with finals approaching rapidly, is not the best time for them to be canceled.

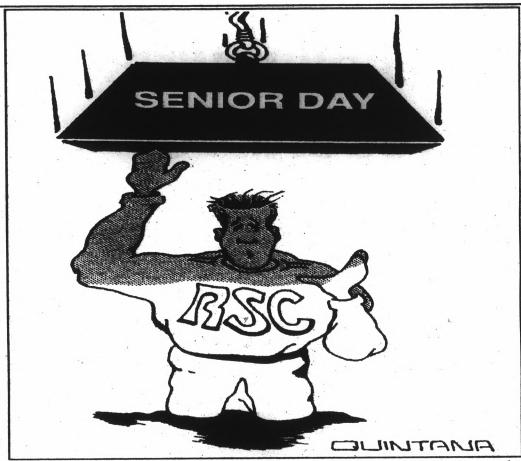
Though RSC needs to increase student enrollment, claiming that \$2 million in budget cuts are because of declining enrollment, it should not be done at the expense of the current student population. Clubs which most RSC students knew nothing about, suddenly appeared on the mall to vie for members. Barbecues were held with implicit instructions not to give food to RSC students.

In plans outlined by Robert Jensen in his April's Chancellor's Letter, he said it was up to the RSC staff to make the students feel happy they chose this college. Treating them like second-class citizens is not the best way to go about this.

It would have been a much smarter idea to have the Senior Day in the afternoon, when there are neither as many students or as many classes on campus. This would have freed both facilities and faculty to give their time and effort.

Instead, the event was set up so students trying to get to class, would be inconvenienced while trying to go about their business. And, after finally getting to their class, they were required to put up with the noise from the different areas.

But this is not surprising, unfortunately. The administration has constantly sacrificed



RSC students when a problem arises. When the budget ran over a year ago the administration froze all equipment spending, leaving various departments to continue to teach with outdated instruments. When the teachers asked for more money, the administration balked while giving themselves a raise. This only caused the teacher's minds to be on other thoughts besides educating the students.

Until the administration finally understands that the students already enrolled are at least as important, if not more so, than potential students, they will have no one to blame for declining enrollment but themselves.

Animal's lives in human vice

Protesters show UCLA atrocities, vivisection labs are torture chambers

by Dan Tratensek el don

Recently, several members of an animal liberation protest broke into the research laboratories at the University of California Los Angeles and allowed several of the ongoing animal experiments to be filmed by local television news crews.

The protestors have been condemned by almost all facets of the media and populous, however, their actions exposed the atrocities that take place in these torture chambers.

The picture that the cameras captured was grim, the lab was not filled with white coated men gently stroking the heads of puppies but of maimed, disfigured animals locked in vice-like cages being submitted to hideous tortures ranging from electro-shock treatment to skin grafting.

While the US government funds groups like the American Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and the Humane Society they are doing little more than shrouding themselves in their own hypocrisy as they give millions of dollars to encourage animal

Animal research, although some may say it doesn't rank with other national problems, is one of the most barbaric and truly capitalistic practices that is being allowed to take

The common belief of the bureaucratic society is that, simply because man has the ability to capture and restrain animals, he also has the right to use and abuse their existence for his own personal and monetary gain.

This belief although it seems to be a selfish one, is also one that is widely accepted. The solution though, is simple, with the latest advances in medical/computer technology and computer/genetic research these experiments can be abolished, without harming any of the research. However, the installation of these systems may prove to be costly for the institutions.

This places a heavy value judgement on the American population, to determine whether money is more precious than that of another's life.

Letters

Television program gives possible solution to armed cop controversy

Dear Editor:

Regaurding the present controversy over campus police wishing to carry firearms, allow me to suggest a possible compromise. With tongue placed firmly in cheek, I recall a similar situation involving the fictitious Sheriff Andy Taylor when his deputy, Barny Fife made a similar request. His solution? Barney could carry a revolver but was issued only one round of ammunition, which he was told to keep in his pocket.

Kevin King

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Baseball rewriting the record books

The Cypress jinx is alive and well as softball and womens swimming become the latest prey.

by Lowell Bennink el don

Bob Hamelin Watch- First baseman Bob Hamelin is closing in on a number of offensive marks this year while leading the Dons to the top of the Orange Empire Conference.

Hamelin (19 HR, 79 RBI) is tied for the home run record and 1 RBI away from tying the JC records set by Joey James of Orange Coast in 1986. With his power, the pitchers are obviously staying away from him. But that only leaves him with 40 walks, 2 away from the mark set in 1984. He is also only 2 runs away from the mark set by RSC's Ruben Gonzalez in 1986 with 59.

"Hit 'em All Over" Hamelin is also is the unusual position of closing in on RSC's career RBI record of 89 set by Vince Shinholster in 1984 and 85.

49 RBI) is second with .477. Mike Gonzales (45 for 117, 7 HR, 35 RBI) is hitting .385, Craig Washington (50 for 141) is at .355 and Nick SantaCruz (40 for 123) is at .325.

You have to feel sorry for Rich Gonzales this year. During any other season, he would have the spotlight all to himself as probably the best player in JC baseball. But along

Hamelin (58 for 112) leads the county in hitting at .519. Rich Gonzales (63 for 132,

ORANGE EMPIRE CONFERENCE BASEBALL STANDINGS

	LEAGUE		OVERALL	
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Rancho Santiago	10	2	28	5
Cypress	8	4	25	8
Orange Coast	7	4	22	13
Citrus	5	6	18	15
Saddleback	3	8	15	19
Riverside	1	10	4	23

Men's track

Running towards OEC title, Sorenson, Wright lead pack

By Robert Hernandez

'We have a good team and they all work well together," said Coach Al Siddons said of RSC's track team members which placed in the top three of the Orange Empire Conference preliminaries.

Over 50 percent of the mens RSC track team placed and the top six will go on to defend their title of OEC champions this friday.

According to Siddons last weeks' Mt SAC relays were a good warm up for the finals. Many of the athletes had their personal best at the relays.

In the preliminaries on tuesday, Jim Sorenson edged out a runner from Citrus

by three tenths of a second to win the 1500 meter race.

Hurdlers Rodney Wright and Gene Howard finished 1,2 in the 400 meter hurdles. Wright also had a third place finish in the 110 meter high hurdles.

Chris Califano threw the shot put 48 feet to place second.

170 feet was good enough for Sean Ullom who finished second in the javelin.

Middle distance runners Sorenson and Wright ran a 800 meters in 1:55.67 and 1:57.93 respectfully to finish first and third

Bobby Ervin ran a 9:43.1 in the 3000 meter steeplechase for a second place fin-Please see Track Page 5

comes Big Bad Bob "It's My Conference, and I'm Happy" Hamelin from UCLA to terrorize the place. Heck, maybe Bob will let Rich borrow some Jell-O so they can both be happy.

The Dons proved they were still the team to beat this year by routing Cypress 11-1 at Cypress. Dave Tellers (8-1) pitched for RSC, holding the Chargers to eight hits on the afternoon.

Cypress tied the score at one in the third. But that was the last time their offense would be heard from on this long afternoon. Hamelin walked to open fourth inning, but Cypress learned their mistake when Rich Gonzales put a pitch into the cheap seats in right. It was Gonzales second HR in as many games against the Chargers. Ed "Moona" Luna joined in the fun, popping one out in the seventh to stretch the lead to 5-1.

Cypress began to act as if Tellers was firing BBs at their toothpicks, and were unable to even get their offense smoldering for the rest of the game. RSC, who was having no problems, scoring 6 runs in the ninth including a three-run shot by Mike Gonzales.

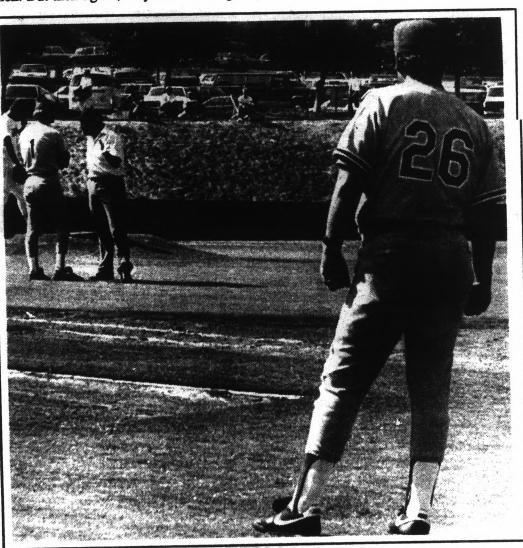
With the win, RSC is leading the OEC with a record of 28-5, 10-2; Cypress is in second with a record of 25-8, 8-4.

Still the Same: Will anybody, anybody at all beside the baseball team, beat Cypress College in any sport? Please? Pretty please?

Softball ran smack into that old favorite, the Cypress-jinx. The lost 3-2 in 8 innings at Cypress last week. The battled tough, with Dawn Robertson allowing the Chargers only four hits. The Dons scored one run in the top of the seventh to send the game into extra innings after being behind 2-0 after 4 innings.

But Cypress scored in the bottom of the eighth to hand the Dons another OEC loss. Still Sinking: The womens swimming team lost in a three way tournament against Palomar last week. Palomar beat Cypress, 76-64, and Cypress beat RSC 104-17. Excuse me, but the last time I looked, it was a lot easier to swim when you take the cement blocks

Trying to Be Fair: Although this is just a personal thought, I think the Rams would have been a lot better off leaving Gaston Green alone and taking Butch Edge as their first pick. But then again, maybe I'm wrong.



ARE YOU SURE?- RSC coaches get an explanation from an umpire at last Tuesdays game vs. Saddleback. photo by Mike D.Sarro

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Track: Defending their OEC title, running against the pack

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Setting a new RSC record in the triple jump, Jason Nunez broke Ryan Gillettes' last years record by over 20 inches.

Dave Durr of RSC had the conference record in the discus for a short time on tuesday of 148 feet, then a member of the Riverside team had a throw of 156 feet 5 1/2 inches to set a new record.

Myron Williams jumped 6 feet 6 inches in the high jump to record a second place finish. The 1600 meter relay team lost by 0:00.59 to a quick team from Orange Coast College.

Coming down to the wire Paul Peters lost a second place finish by 0:00:02 in the 400 meter dash.

By having a participant in most of the events tomorrow Siddons is looking forward to bringing home another OEC title to the RSC campus.

Golf team gets the bronze for conference play

by Patrick Mitchell el don

The RSC golf team finished third overall in conference play but it "felt good," according to Richard Gorrie, RSC golf coach.

"We started the season in last place but by the end of the last tournament they knew we for real," said Gorrie.

The team ended the season by losing on Monday at the Rancho California Country Club by only four strokes. "Four strokes may sound like a lot but when there is approximately 390 possible strokes four certainly isn't bad," Gorrie said.

This years team was one of the youngest in the Orange Empire Conference. It consisted of all freshmen except John Hospodarec who returned for his second year. John Hospodarec also was the only RSC golfer to make the Orange Empire All Conference team. "I'm pretty proud of it, it has been a goal of mine all year," said Hospodarec.

Hospodarec plans to transfer to Cal State Fullerton and wants to continue golfing there. "It would have been nice to make it to the Southern Cal and state finals but overall it's been two great years with the best coach anyone could have asked for," said Hospodarec.

According to Gorrie, the golf team found out they were much better then they thought. "Golfing is 10 percent physical ability and 90 percent mental and starting in last place didn't help," said Gorrie.

"Every golfer continued to improve throughout the year. Overall it was a very gratifying season, and next year we will be real strong," said Gorrie.

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Self defense with class





GETTING DEFENSIVE- Revina Lewis, left, shows how to get a kick in her class while her other students practice other forms of self defense.

photos by Lucien Philbrick

by Mary McCormack el don

"The best form of self defense is avoiding dangerous situations," said Revina Lewis who has been teaching self defense classes at RSC for seven years.

Lewis, 48, has just one more year of training before getting her black belt in Tang So Do, a formal Korean martial art which Chuck Norris first introduced to the US several years ago.

Norris popularized the art in his movies "Missing In Action" and "Good Guys Wear Black".

When asked if her age would interfere with her plans for continuing to teach self defense, Lewis replied, "Oh no! I plan to be physically active for the next fifty years!"

Lewis first became interested in the martial arts at Golden West College where she took a self defense class for women nine years ago.

After completing several more such classes at RSC in the years that followed, Lewis was eventually invited to teach.

Since then, she has taught basic self defense classes as part of the regular curriculum at various high schools in Orange County.

Lewis also worked with the Newport Beach Police Department in demonstrating self defense techniques at local high schools.

These days, Lewis is concentrating on teaching her skills to children.

"I feel that self defense is necessary,

especially with kids because they are so vulnerable."

On Saturday mornings Lewis teaches a class for children between the ages of nine and sixteen.

"The fact that I'm not even five feet tall gives the kids a sense of self confidence and it also teaches them that a lot of people who might attack them aren't always big," said Lewis.

Lewis trains her students to attack five vulnerable points in the body including kneecaps, groin, throat, nose and eyes.

"I feel that the few techniques that I teach, such as the eye-poke and breaking a kneecap, are very important defenses for kids against adults who attack them."

"I teach what dangerous situations are and how to avoid them. The very last thing you do is fight because you can lose."

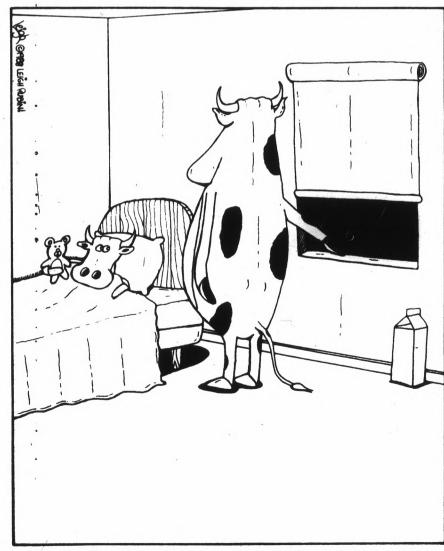
The class teaches tricks that will help in a fight situation, continued Lewis. For instance, she advises the kids to yell "Fire!" if attacked within the home or in a public place. This makes the observer realize that it is not just a domestic squabble and help usually arrives faster.

Each student receives a certificate that shows successful completion of the course.

Lewis recommends that her students continue their martial arts training. As an incentive, Lewis allows her students to retake the class, free of charge.

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Colors by Ice-T

by Toby Sharp el don

"Colors," the new Dennis Hopper film about gang problems in Los Angeles, should be put next to Oliver Stone's "Platoon" when it comes to realism and excellence.

The film is good because the story is

believable. The characters, mainly the gang-members and police, are real as is the downtown sets of the L.A. barrios.

"Colors," the title, has to do with the colors that the gangs wear. The Crips wear blue and the Bloods wear red. Gangs live and die by their colors. Another shade of blue in the movie was the color of the police uniforms. Robert DuVall

and Sean Penn portray the "dynamic duo" of the L.A. 80s in the way they deal with the gangs and situations that arise. Their methods differ, as do their results, but both men keep struggling against the gangs which heavily outnumber the police force.

The main point about the movie is that it entertains. The audience I was in was

very talkative before the movie started, with some people who looked like they came from the L.A. streets, but when the action started, no one talked. There was no hint of violence in the audience at all. They and I, as Howard Hesseman stated at the L.A. screening, came to see a good Dennis Hopper film. And we did.

Beetlejuice hard to swallow: 'Pee-Wee Herman goes to hell' a la Michael Keaton

by Toby Sharp el don

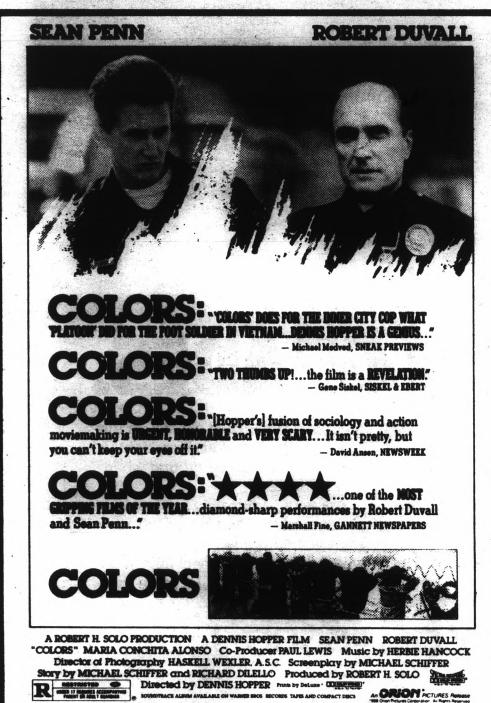
"Beetlejuice," the movie about two yuppie ghosts who employ Michael Keaton, as the title character, to ridtheir house of its new occupants could easily be titled "Pee-Wee Herman Goes to Hell." Great special effects, sets, and music combined with a great cast to bring us a movie that tickles our funny bone while also biting our knee cap. It's a good film because of the great humor involved but it is a bit morbid in that the main characters are dead people. It was comically

tastefully done, though.

Parents with children might want to be sure that they are present with their kids when they see it. Some of the scenes could frighten a youngster.

The only gripe I've heard is that people wanted to see more of Michael Keaton. I

thought he was in there just enough. Remember, great performers always leave their audience wanting more because if they give an audience too much, the watchers get bored and leave. And every Hollywood producer knows that empty seats don't make money.



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